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On behalf of the entire City of Montebello staff, thank you for your assistance in not only coordinating the meeting held yesterday between Montebello and the Alameda Corridor East Construction Authority (ACE) and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (COG), but also in mediating the sometimes heated discussion between the parties. We appreciate CalTrans staff taking the time to hold the meeting and its sincere efforts to assist in reaching a resolution to the matter.

While perhaps there remains a difference in opinion between Montebello, ACE and the COG as to an appropriate and viable ACE project involving the City, we are hopeful that with the efforts by CalTrans the parties will continue to dialogue and negotiate a course of action which mitigates the environmental and safety impacts upon the Montebello community.

Again, thank you for warm welcome and gracious assistance on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ed Vasquez.

Mayor of Montebello

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